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display unit, said picture formed by a frame of a plurality of fields, said picture decoding and display unit comprising:

decoding means coupled to receive said bit stream, for carrying out said decoding processing on said predictively encoded pixel data to restore said original pixel data;

storage means coupled to said decoding means, for storing said restored pixel data received from said decoding means;

read means coupled to said storage means, for reading pixel data from said storage means for outputting to said display unit for display thereon; and

control means coupled to said read means and said decoding means for making said decoding means start decoding processing of pixel data of a subsequent frame supplied subsequently to a certain frame including a last field to be finally displayed in the certain frame in response to reading of said last field from said read means, said subsequent frame supplied immediately following a picture having the decoding processing thereon completed upon the reading of said last field, said picture being different from a picture comprised of said certain frame.

Claim 22, line 7, before "includes" insert --further--.

Please add new claims 27 and 28 as follows.